Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, By 1885, the American Buffalo had been hunted to near extinction; and,

Whereas, In 1891, James "Scotty" Philip bought the last buffalo herd of about 80 animals from Phil Dupree; and,

Whereas, Philip's herd became the ancestors of virtually all buffalo today; and,

Whereas, Scotty Philip is regarded as the man who saved the buffalo from extinction; and,

Whereas, The City of Philip was named for Scotty Philip; and,

Whereas, Highway 14 from Fort Pierre to Wall via Philip is designated "Scotty Philip Highway;" and,

Whereas, The Verendrye Museum is sponsoring a wagon train ride "The Historic Bad River Trail: Scotty Philip Memorial Ride: from July 17th to July 23rd; and,

Whereas, The cities of Philip, Midland, and Fort Pierre, in conjunction with the trail ride, are planning to celebrate the life of Scotty Philip on the 100th anniversary of Philip's death:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 17-23, 2011, as

SCOTTY PHILIP WEEK

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Judy A. Larson, Exec. Asst.

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State